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## **Religious Emphasis Week Begins Feb. 28**

Presbyterian College will hold its annual Religious Emphasis Week this year on Feb. 28-March 4, and four outstanding ministers will visit the campus to lead the full schedule of religious activities.

They are: the Rev. Ben Lacy Rose, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Wilmington, N. C.; the Rev. Francis B. Mayes, pastor of the Park Circle Presbyterian Church of North Charleston, S. C.; the Rev. Clarence E. Piephoff, pastor of the College Park, Ga., Presbyterian Church; and the Rev. Edward Watson, pastor of Atlanta's Lakewood Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Rose will serve as the main speaker of the occasion, and the other three ministers will lead classroom discussions.

Mayes and Piephoff, both alumni of Presbyterian College, will give added significance to the program as 1955 Moderators of their respective Synods: Mayes, head of the South Carolina Synod; Piephoff, Moderator of the Synod of Georgia.

Religious Emphasis Week at Presbyterian College is sponsored each year by the Student Christian Association. Religion is a daily part of the campus life throughout the year, but this occasion of special emphasis is a time when regular schedules and routines are suspended to bring the full spotlight to focus upon spiritual values.

The full program of activity at this time includes: preparatory prayer services, two general assemblies of the student body daily for the main addresses, classroom discussion, religious "bull sessions" in the dormitories at night and individual counseling.

Dr. Rose only recently accepted a call to the Wilmington Church,

moving there on Feb. 1 after more than eight years as pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church of Bristol, Va. Prior to the Bristol pastorate, he spent five years as a chaplain in the U. S. Army during World War II and was decorated twice for service in the European Theatre of Operations. Dr. Rose served from 1938 to 1941 as pastor of three home mission churches in eastern North Carolina. A native of Fayetteville, N. C., he is a graduate of Davidson College (1935) and Union Theological Seminary in Richmond (1938), which he also received his Master's in 1950.

Mayes also served as a U. S. Army chaplain for five years and in the European Theatre. He was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Beaufort from 1927 until entering service in 1941 and returned to this pulpit for three more years after leaving the Army in 1946. Mayes held the position of regional director of religious education in Alabama and Tennessee for one year, and then became pastor of North Charleston's Park Circle

Church in 1950. A native of Greenville, S. C., he finished Presbyterian College in 1924, Columbia Theological Seminary in 1927.

Piephoff has been pastor of the College Park Church since 1944. He went there from his position as a teacher at the Darlington School in Rome, Ga., and before that held pastorates in the Monaghan Presbyterian Church of Greenville (1925-38), Atlanta's Pryor Street Church (1938-40) and served as assistant-to-the-president of Thornwell Orphanage in Clinton, S. C. (1940-43). A native of Spartanburg, S. C., he received his BA degree from Presbyterian College in 1922, his BD from Columbia Theological Seminary in 1925 and later obtained his Master's from that institution.

Watson, a native of England, was a successful business man in that country before coming to the United States. He received his BD degree from Columbia Theological Seminary in 1950 and has served as pastor of Atlanta's Lakewood Presbyterian Church since that time.

## **Second Semester Rolls Show 460 Registered**

A total of 460 students are attending Presbyterian College during the second semester of the 1954-55 session.

This number, which registered for classwork beginning on February 4, compares to an enrollment of 475 at the start of the fall term last September. Among those registering this semester were 36 new students entering PC for the first time.

Five seniors completed work toward their degrees during the first semester, and they will receive diplomas at the regular commencement exercises in June.

## **Students Meet At PC For Christian Seminar**

Forty college students from ten South Carolina institutions and representing five denominations held a three-day Christian Action Seminar at Presbyterian College on February 4-6.

Its purpose was to bring together young student leaders to think about and discuss ways to become a more effective Christian citizen. The theme, "Christian Bases for Social Action", included such topics as Citizenship, Alcohol Problems, Christian Vocation, and Human Relationships.

Among the seminar leaders, who spoke and led discussions, was Dr. Carl Pritchett, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Anderson, S. C., and Christian Social Relations chairman for the Synod of South Carolina.

## ***Alumni Fund Sets New Record in 1954***

Contributions to Presbyterian College's 1954 Alumni Fund totaled \$11,759.75, the alumni office has announced.

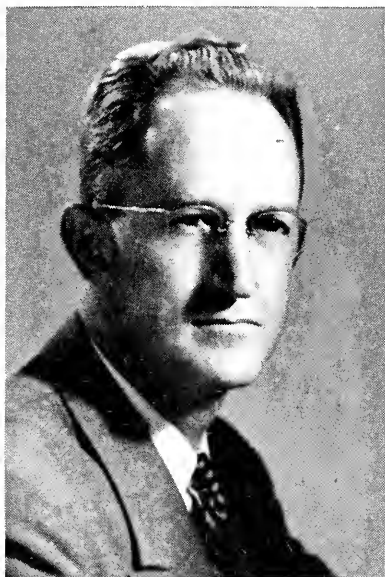
This amount marked a 23 percent increase over the 1953 total and established a new record for the alumni giving program. Three hundred and sixty, or 12 percent, of the alumni participated.

## ***College Trustees Hold Winter Meeting March 1***

The Board of Trustees of Presbyterian College will hold its winter meeting at PC on March 1.

Officers of this board, composed of clerical and lay leaders chosen by the controlling Synods of Georgia and South Carolina, are: the Rev. William B. Ward of Spartanburg, chairman; George B. Hoyt of Atlanta, vice-chairman; and Ferdinand Jacobs, Sr., of Clinton, secretary.

## Leaders For Religious Week . . .



The Rev. Ben Lacy Rose



The Rev. Francis B. Mayes



The Rev. Clarence E. Piephoff



The Rev. Edward Watson

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## Meet the Faculty

### **George A. Anderson, Dean of Students**

The Rev. George A. Anderson has served as acting dean of students at Presbyterian College for the past year. It's a new role for him but not altogether inappropriate, since he was an infantry first sergeant during World War II.

While Anderson fills the student deanship temporarily as a service to the College, he continues to follow his main line of interest as a teacher of Bible and Greek. He holds the status of full professor on the Presbyterian College faculty.

Anderson came to PC in 1947 from Columbia Theological Seminary, where he served as an instructor in New Testament Greek while completing work on his Bachelor of Divinity degree. He received his Master of Theology from that institution the next year. His education before the seminary included a BA degree from Hampden-Sydney College in 1937 and graduation from Moody Bible Institute in 1941. Between these latter two institutions came a year as teacher of mathematics and history in a Virginia high school.

Anderson entered the U. S. Army as an enlisted man in 1942 and served until 1945 in this country and in Europe with the 45th Infantry Division.

In addition to his duties as a part of the administration and the faculty of PC, Anderson acts as supply pastor of two small Presbyterian Churches near Mountville, S. C. He is married to the former Miss Katharine Ballard of Fayetteville, W. Va., and they have six children—five boys and one girl.

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